

PROMISING RACING FIELD

JACKSONVILLE MEETING PROFITABLE DESPITE ADVERSE CONDITIONS AT THE START.

Plans to Hold Extensive Meetings Next Winter with Good Stakes and Increased Purses.

Jacksonville, Fla., April 19.—The success of Jacksonville as a winter racing point was amply demonstrated by the meeting which came to a close Saturday. It was a success from the very opening day and the club made a profit where they expected a loss. The State Fair Association of Florida, the name of the organization under which the race meeting was given, is certainly entitled to success, for they made every effort to conduct the sport on a high plane. Strong pressure was brought to bear before the meeting opened to ring-fence the track. The association was cramped for ready cash and needed money badly. Flattering overtures in the way of a big advance payment were offered as an inducement to turn the ring over to a combination of well-known layers, but the association insisted that the ring be an open one and held out for this in the face of a probable loss. Their idea was to test Jacksonville and find out just what the town would support before sinking any more money in the park. The course, which occupies some 125 acres, is situated just outside the city limits in a little place called Moncreiff Springs. The track is a mile ellipse constructed on modern lines and the plans of the city Park commission in Jacksonville have been followed pretty much by the builder. The plant was constructed under the supervision of H. D. Brown and the latter certainly accomplished a wonderful amount of work in the short time that he had. The day before the meeting opened it seemed there would be no chance of having the track ready for racing, yet this was done and by now the plant is in splendid order. Associated with Brown is a local man named F. J. Pons, a gentleman who is well thought of by the racing men in Jacksonville and one who has considerable weight with the politicians throughout the state. Pons has tremendous turpentine interests in Florida and employs a great number of men.

The transportation facilities were very crude the first ten days, but a spur was built from the end of the city line to the main entrance of the park. These tracks crossed those of the Florida Southern and Georgia tracks and the result was a very bad one for several days by refusing to allow them to cross their tracks. This was finally overcome and the last few days of the meeting race-goers were enabled to reach the course with some degree of comfort. In the meantime a walk of about a half mile was necessary from the end of the car line to the course, but despite this great handicap, large crowds turned out. It was certainly a severe test and went to show that the local people are enthusiastic over the race.

The grandstand, which is a wooden structure, is an exact model of the City Park stand and in fact everything about the place reminds one of the New Orleans track. The seats are high, the roof is high, and there is ample room in the part of the park where they are built to erect many more. The nature of the soil is white sand, which makes an ideal winter track. The more it rains the faster the going becomes and the chances are that there will never be such a thing as a heavy track at Moncreiff Park. A number of wells were driven at different parts of the plant and from one of them, which was directly in front of the stable that H. McCarran, Jr., owned the sulphur water. A majority of the stables that participated in the meeting made money and McCarran probably benefited more by the racing here than any other horseman, as all the crowd that was at the track was at his place. Frank Kessinger won a number of races as did also M. T. Pritchard. The horsemen were all well pleased with Jacksonville as a racing point and all are "rooting" that the legislature will not interfere with the sport in Florida. In the event of no adverse legislation, a strong circuit could be formed between Tampa and Jacksonville. Jacksonville, however, is much the largest and best city of the state and will always be the more important racing point of the two. The idea of the club is to give a big, high-class meeting next winter and to cater to none but the best. Joseph A. Murphy has already been asked to compile conditions for a number of big stakes and the chances are that he will be either the Florida Derby or the Dixie Derby.

A delegation of Tampa gentlemen interested in the fair association there visited Moncreiff Park several days ago to get some idea of how to improve their plant. They saw that Tampa has a little half-mile affair, very narrow with sharp turns. It has been decided to remodel this plant and enlarge it to either a five-furlongs or a six-furlongs track with a chute for mile races. The trouble at Tampa is that they are crowded for room. The track is located on the grounds of the Tampa Bay Hotel and is the property of the city of Tampa. In order to enlarge the track into a mile course, it would be necessary to demolish all of the large fair buildings and this, of course, is out of the question, as the fair feature is a strong prop for the racing. There is a fine site on the outskirts of Tampa at a place called Sulphur Springs for a race course and some of the local people are talking of transferring the fair grounds to that point. This probably will eventually be done, as there will be near room enough at the present track to accommodate the crowds in the event of a meeting being held there next winter.

A breeding bureau has been started in Florida by the two racing associations and already several stallions have been secured which will be turned over to a commission who will be selected by the governor. The horses were obtained by the association giving what were known as breeders' purses, the conditions of which were framed on the lines of the old "Scully purses" so common in the west some years ago. Among the stallions the bureau are Expect-to-See, a well-bred son of Inspector B. Clifton Forge, by the Hanover station, Handsome, and Jack McKee, by G. W. Johnson. Fortunately all three of these are horses of excellent conformation and possess great bone and substance. They are well fitted for the purpose of crossing with the native mares and should produce an excellent type of carriage horse. It might be well for the government to keep a line on the produce of these horses, which should make ideal cavalry mounts. Several of these breeders' purses have been won by mares and it is the purpose of the association to sell them and take the proceeds and purchase stallions. In the meantime if any horseman wishes to help the cause along by donating stallions for the bureau, they can address the State Fair Association of Florida, Clark Building, Jacksonville.

Judge Murphy has had his hands full keeping some of the wrong-doers in line. The racing at Tampa was conducted in a very loose manner and horsemen fell into the habit of taking more liberty than they were entitled to. Several of them were taken up with a sharp turn and most of them are now walking a straight line. Four stables were suspended, two for inconsistent running and two for irregular practices. Cloisteress got L. C. Shobe into trouble. She would win in a canter one day and the next time out run last. She repeated these form some time ago. She was ordered to be put in the stable and not to enter any more of his horses. Momentum got J. L. Adams into trouble for the same cause. When asked for an explanation Shobe said he had wagered \$100 on Cloisteress. The ticket showed that he had obtained only 3 to 1 for his money when there was 6 to 1 in the ring. Another peculiar angle was that the bet had been made with a party named G. H. Bryan, in whose name the winner of the race, Chief Hayes, runs. Shobe brought a lot of influence to bear on Judge Murphy, but the latter refused to recede from the position he first took in the matter. P. S. Smith and M. Michaels were the other pair

that got the gate so far as racing their horses at the track was concerned. Smith and Michaels have been mixed up in the ownership of the horses Pont and Eustacian all winter. During the meeting at Alameda the horses first ran in Michaels' name and then in Smith's. It seems that Michaels borrowed some money from Smith and gave as security Pont and Eustacian. Michaels claimed that the transfer was only temporary and that he was to regain possession of the horses provided he paid a certain sum before a certain date. Michaels then left for New York and after both Pont and Eustacian had won several times, he returned to Cuba, sought out Smith and demanded his horses. Smith refused to give them up and the pair almost created a riot at the entrance of the track after the races one evening. The Rural Guard had to be called to quell the disturbance and if Smith and Michaels were guilty of what they accused one another, both should have been ruled off then and there. Finally Michaels got his horses after a lot of red tape in which the American consul was appealed to. The horses were shipped over to Cuba and about the middle of that meeting Smith and Michaels again entered into another deal. Smith was racing Select II in his own name and Michaels was running Pont and Eustacian in the name of his wife. Finally, in a race at Moncreiff Park, Select II and Eustacian both started. Smith was carded as the owner of Select II, and as the trainer of Eustacian and when the matter was called to the attention of the judges, writing was declared and the horses were given to the investigation which developed much evidence was brought to light which warranted the action taken. In the meantime Michaels, who was a peat peddler around the New York tracks, threatened to cockle racing in Florida if he was forced to go as far as to get some of the colored ministers to preach against the sport. It looks as if men of his type could be well spared from the turf.

LOUISVILLE HORSES GALLOPING FAST.

Training for the Approaching Churchill Downs Meeting in Lively Progress.

Louisville, Ky., April 19.—The owners now at Churchill Downs will be well represented at the Lexington races which opens next Saturday. Many fast ones will be sent to the bluegrass capital. Pat Civi and T. P. Hayes will ship tomorrow. On Wednesday "Bub" May will send six and the Cella stable, represented by ten horses, will go the same time. Flier is sure to send several winners to the post. On Friday John Marklein, Fred Luzader, George J. Long and Bob Tucker will ship to Lexington. Others probably will go at the same time. Jockey Grover Warren will ride at Lexington at 103 pounds. He seems stronger than ever and is in excellent condition. Al Kirby will make his engagements. Warren is a daring youngster and is sure to be heard from this spring and next summer. Prim Polly, a brown filly, by Nasturium-Kosmo, is recovering from a mild fever. To the surprise of her owner, Charley Van Meter, she worked a half-mile in 47.5, carrying 117 pounds. An offer of \$1,500 has been made for this one. She is entered in several stakes. The Pad, from the barn of Van Meter, after sickness due to fever and after having lost fifty pounds, is coming around all right. Churchill Downs is the magnet for spectators from several hundred persons and from six o'clock until noon, crowds of men and also many women, were interested spectators of gallops by horses from leading stables. None of the probable Derby starters were seen tomorrow morning. The Young eligibles will be sent at least a mile. Rome Respects' colts will be worked tomorrow. The track is fast and if it continues dry, sparkling trials are assured. Quarters in 24 and halves in 50 were reeled off yesterday by two-year-olds from the stable of W. H. Fize and George J. Long.

Mitlades, from the barn of Charley Van Meter, went a mile in 1:43½ with Dale Austin in the saddle. The work was impressive and he was brought here from California by Charley Ellison, was galloped slowly and showed well. Royal Tourist will be one of the fastest racers at the Downs this spring. Ballus, a colt from the Long stable, worked fast. John Marklein sent W. A. Leach three-quarters in 1:15. Prince Imperial is slightly lame, but will soon be all right. Ben Howe and Wool Sandals are about ready for the races.

Not a Derby eligible, which belongs to Frank B. Respass and Al Kirby, has recovered from his lameness and was sent a half-mile in 50. It is not thought this handsome colt can be keyed up tight enough by the time of the Derby. John Marklein sent W. A. Leach three-quarters in 1:15. He is bringing Earl's Court, a two-time winner at the meeting held at that place. His old bread-winner, Robin Hood, is also coming and this veteran will be sent a half-mile in 50. The news from Santa Anita that G. W. (Bishop) Poole had committed suicide, shocked the turfmen here at Churchill Downs. He had arranged to race here this spring.

John Marklein, in receipt of a communication from trainer McCormick, who is in Germany, in which the famous handler of horses says he has regained his health and is enjoying a season of prosperity. The track career of Governor Haskell is at an end. He has been blistered by his owner, W. H. Shadley, and has been turned out.

TRAINING GALLOPS AT LEXINGTON.

Lexington, Ky., April 19.—Early morning showers were of material benefit to the Kentucky Association's track today. The best moves noted were: J. N. Camden, Jr.'s St. Dunstan, b. c. by St. Simon, three-quarters in 35.2; B. F. by Masagan-Mr. Beauty, three-eighths in 35.2.

G. W. J. Bissell's Mettie Beraud, ch. f. by Jean Beraud-Lydia Darrah, three-eighths in 35.2; E. A. Brennan's Kennet, b. c. by Kilkerran-May Elliott, three-eighths in 35.2.

The best mile of the season was Terah's 1:44. Ironbound worked in 1:45. Snake Mary and Danette in 1:46. Harold Hall, seven-eighths in 1:30. Miss Orimar, three-quarters in 1:15. The Derby candidates had only mild exercise.

Pete Coyne will be here from Louisville Wednesday with eight of George J. Long's horses, including Sic Cleages, Balbus, Cordova, Clivia, Campeon and Beema.

The stables of F. J. Pons, H. McCarran Jr., J. U. Strode, J. P. Mayberry and Stevens & Casey are on the way from Jacksonville, Fla. E. R. Bradley's string, in charge of trainer Hurley, will come into the track from Idle Hour Farm tomorrow morning. Mr. Bradley arrived here from Chicago yesterday morning and will remain until the end of the meeting. Edward Corrigan left tonight for Magnolia Springs, Ala. On his return a week hence he will be accompanied by Mrs. Corrigan, whose condition is much improved.

W. W. Lyles, who was the central figure in the recent unsuccessful test of the Locke law at New Orleans, was among the visitors at the track today.

LATONIA'S APPARENTLY SECURE POSITION.

In explanation of the official statement made Saturday, that the Latonia Jockey Club's spring meeting will positively be held with bookmaking, no matter what may be the decision of the Kentucky Court of Appeals in the pending appeal case at issue between the Latonia Jockey Club and the Kentucky State Racing Commission, President Harvey Myers, of the Latonia Jockey Club, said:

"I wish to say that the commission stands absolutely enjoined from in any wise interfering with our meeting or with anybody connected with our track or engaged in racing on the track.

"This sweeping injunction includes any interference with jockeys, trainers, owners, bookmakers or others who are there for the purpose of participating in racing events. That injunction remains fully in force until the Court of Appeals finally acts upon the question. I have every confidence that the La-

tonia Jockey Club is right in its contention and will eventually win, but you may say that even if the case should be ultimately lost by the Jockey Club, there can be no question of its right to hold its spring meeting without any interference whatever from the commission. The case is now set for argument on the 5th of May, and even if it should be admitted without briefs on that date, it is not likely that the opinion would be rendered for ten or fifteen days at least thereafter, and it might be a much longer period. But conceding that it should be rendered fifteen days afterward, that would take it over the latter part of May, and no judgment of the Court of Appeals becomes final until the lapse of thirty days, exclusive of Sundays, after the rendition of the opinion. Of course, either side may file a petition for rehearing, which would necessarily lengthen this time until the court could act upon that petition. Thus it will be seen that even if the court should ultimately decide against Latonia (and I don't believe it will) the decision would not become effective and the injunction would remain in full force and effect until after the termination of the meeting, which begins on May 25."

WINDING UP AFFAIRS AT OAKLAND.

San Francisco, Cal., April 19.—Jockey Buxton today signed a contract to ride in Russia for the stable trained by J. O. Keene and will leave immediately accompanied by C. Buxton, his brother, who has severed his connection as trainer of the Fleuve de Lis Stable. G. H. Keene has been instructed to send along another boy for another Russian stable and may select Borel or Keogh.

Fred Cook goes east tomorrow. He will retire from racing, sell all his thoroughbred stock on his eastern farm and confine himself to bookmaking. His stable ran behind \$15,000 here this season, which was about what he made booking. He declared today that horses which have carried his colors represented an aggregate of about \$1 million dollars. He has about \$200,000 invested in thoroughbred holdings, all of which he has made out of booking. Jockey Butwell is here, en route from Santa Anita to New York.

Several Kentuckians are negotiating for the California stallion, Camard, on which J. D. Millin has set a price of \$10,000. I. H. Wheatcroft is also after the horse.

The stables of S. C. Hildreth and W. B. Jennings left for New York tonight, and George Ham left for Louisville with the Gerst-Holle string.

Archie Zimmerman and Andy Blakey left for New York.

All the Oakland track employes have been discharged except one carpenter, one plumber and the necessary watchmen. Superintendent Grant will remain in charge and will require the removal of all horses by May 1, when the track will be closed.

VESME FIRST IN A FAST MILE.

San Antonio, Tex., April 19.—The second week of the meeting opened today and special interest was attached to this place, as it is the only point in the country where horses will be running this week, until next Saturday. Interest centered in the fourth race, at one mile, in which Oberon, Vesme, Dick Redd and Alvise came together. Vesme being the medium of quite a plunge by the local bookmakers. A fast race resulted and Vesme never gave her backers cause to worry, the old mare winning with ease in the fast time of 1:40. Molesworth carried off the riding honors of the afternoon, with sirens of winners in his credit.

Jockey C. H. Shilling is due to arrive tomorrow to ride for his brother, J. M. Shilling, who has perhaps the best two-year-old down here, in Chester Krum.

The opening date of the Houston meeting has been changed to Monday, April 26. Most of the horses here will be shipped there after the close of the meeting next Saturday.

MONTANA'S GOVERNOR FAVORS RACING.

Frankfort, Ky., April 19.—Racing in Montana is not in danger at present from any adverse legislation, is the opinion of Governor L. Norris, who visited the city last night. The chief executive of Montana is a lover of the thoroughbred and is alive to the fact that without racing the thoroughbred is bound to retrograde.

"There is but one thing that will ever put a stop to racing in Montana or in any of the western states," said Governor Norris, "and that is the men who do not care anything about racing except to make money out of the gambling that accompanies it. It is in the power of the man who makes the book on the track and the man who conducts the poolroom or the handbook to put racing entirely out of business in the western states, and they also have it in their hands to permit it to continue for ages."

DEATH OF THE BREEDER OF GALLINULE.

London, Eng., April 19.—The death is announced of John C. Hill of Willington, Lincolnshire. Although Mr. Hill's colors were not very well known, he leaves an indelible record on the history of the turf, for he bred Gallinule, one of the most successful sires of racing times. The chief executive of the sire of Polar Star. Both were from his own mare, Moorhen, with which he won many hunt races back in the 'eighties. Another colt of his breeding was Euclid, which won the Jubilee Stakes in 1892 and the Lincolnshire Handicap in 1893. St. Victor, a constant winner, was also bred by him and sold at the Doncaster sales. Mr. Hill, who was seventy-four years old, was at Lincoln races. His death was entirely unexpected.

SOME CHANCE ON THE TURF.

Mr. Horatio Bottomley, M. P., an English turfman and stock broker, "reflects" in the following terms in a comparison between "racing" men and "city" men: "There is no middle degree in the racing world. A man will either help himself by taking your watch and chain, or to help you he will give you his. In the city it is different. There everybody is after your watch and chain. The only question is to secure them without getting landed in jail. If you can convince the owner that the best thing he can do is to commit the articles to your care, to be dealt with by you as you think fit, well then, you are a financier, but if you take them in any other way you are a thief."—Manchester, Eng., Sporting Chronicle.

BALLOT OUT OF THE CITY AND SUBURBAN.

New York, April 19.—Intelligence has been received here by cable that J. R. Keene's crack horse, Ballot, has been declared from the City and Suburban Handicap, to be run at Epsom, Wednesday afternoon. This leaves Priscillian, Norman III. and Delirium as the American representatives in the big race. The two last named will probably be started in Mr. Belmont's Bay Tree, has been scratched from the \$5,000 Tudor Plate, which is to be run at Sandown Park next Thursday. Mr. Keene's Wamba and Esperanto and Mr. Whitney's Sixty are in this event.

AMERICAN WINNERS AT LONGCHAMPS.

Paris, France, April 19.—At the Longchamps course yesterday W. K. Vanderbilt's Lincoln, by Palma-Laline, ran unplaced in the Prix de La Grotte. Vanderbilt's Nezofol, 4, by Childwick-Nebrowze, won the Prix de Guiche, a three-year-old event for colts, at one and one-quarter miles, valued at \$1,400. T. P. Thorne's Flenry II. was fourth. W. K. Vanderbilt's Rosalin finished second for the Prix Hocquet, while his Prestissimo II., by Sobrano-Pandore, won the Prix de La Jonchere. T. P. Thorne's La Boubex ran second in the Prix Seymour.

COLIN'S DEBUT IN ENGLAND

J. R. KEENE'S CHAMPION MAY BE POINTED FOR RACE WHICH FOXHALL WON.

Duryea's Good Chance to Hedge a Stiff Wager—Clarence Mackay's Colt Wins—Glasgerion Runs Unpromisingly.

New York, April 19.—Colin, intended for the stud in England for the next few years, would greatly enhance his reputation in that country if he could win the Ascot Gold Cup, a race which is run in September, and because of its length and the fact that the best horses in all Europe usually run in it, stamps its winner each season as a real champion. It is at two miles and a half, and not only is Mr. Keene extremely desirous of winning this race (which he won in 1882 with Rosall), but Mr. Belmont is also anxious to win it, and his horses, Norman III., Fair Play and Priscillian, were entered for it.

The effort on the part of Harry Payne Whitney to engage the Australian boy, Frank Wootton, to do his English lightweight riding, is said to have been unsuccessful.

After he won the Flatbush Stakes of 1908, J. E. Madden is said to have bet H. B. Duryea \$5,000 even that Sir Martin would defeat the unbeaten Bayardo in the Derby. Mr. Duryea had much the best of this bet. All he need to have done was to place \$500 on Sir Martin at the odds of 12 to 1, which prevailed when the betting was begun, and he would have had a good hedge. Bayardo was then at 2 to 1.

Clarence H. Mackay's interest in the English turf is indirect, inasmuch as his friend, Charles Carroll, is running the sons and daughters of Meddler and their successes, one of which was achieved last Friday at Newmarket, when Troubled Waters, by Meddler-Lach Dee, won, are hailed with pleasure by Mr. Mackay because he bred them. These Meddler colts are trained by Sam Darling, who also has fillies by Meddler, which are owned by Joseph E. Widener.

Last Friday, in the Craven Stakes, at Newmarket, Eng., the recent second choice for the Epsom Derby, Glasgerion, made his first appearance and ran a very bad race.

MANY TRAINERS AND JOCKEYS LICENSED.

Lexington, Ky., April 19.—The State Racing Commission, with Vice-Chairman E. F. Clay, Milton Young, Charles F. Grainger, Louis Des Cognets and Secretary A. B. Rouse present, held a brief session this morning, at which the following licenses were granted:

Trainers—W. J. Young, Robert Tucker, W. H. Fize, John Marklein, Charles C. Van Meter, Frank P. Wilson, W. E. Gots, R. P. Brooks, John Walters, George W. Hayes, T. F. Weaver, J. W. May, James E. Davis, James W. Lally, Thomas Abadie, Frank Gering and William Stueve.

Jockeys—Dale Austin, Grover Warren, Vincent E. Foy and Clifford Hufnagel.

Apprentice Jockeys—R. Val Lovell, William Robinson and Earl Harris.

The only other application before the commission was that of jockey George Mountain, whose license was revoked by the American Turf Association about a year ago. His application was accompanied by a letter from W. H. Fize, which stated that at a meeting of the American Turf Association in Louisville, Saturday, Mountain had been granted a license by that body, and the request was made that the commission would take the same action. The application, however, was held up for further consideration.

Favorable action on the application of jockey Dale Austin was due largely to the recommendation of Judge Charles F. Price and a pledge from C. C. Van Meter, who filed a contract with Austin for one year, dating from April 1, 1909, with the privilege of renewal for another year after April 1 next, at \$25 per month when there was no racing and \$50 per month when racing was in progress. Judge Price notified the commission that the suspension of Austin, which was imposed by him at Fort Erie, in August, 1907, had been lifted April 6, and he wrote: "I am of the opinion that Austin has probably suffered sufficient punishment, and inasmuch as he is now in good hands and has promised to ride honestly in future, I would respectfully recommend favorable consideration of the application."

Mr. Van Meter, in his letter, said: "I pledge the commission Austin will be under my personal care and direction, and that he will not accept any mounts unless they are selected by me. I feel confident that Austin, who is one of the best riders on the turf, needs only this chance to make good in every way."

The commission was informed that there are a number of applications from trainers and jockeys in the betting clause in the racing act passed by the Montreal Jockey Club, which owns the new track at Blue Bonnets.

The Hon. Mr. Taschereau of the provincial cabinet said there were many objections and he thought they ought to be threshed out. It was therefore decided to hold the bill over, except that part which refers to matters not connected with betting, until tomorrow.

The charter provides that no gambling shall be permitted on the race course, but betting on competitions of strength between men or beasts shall be permitted under the civil code.

Some restrictions were placed last year on betting at the Woodbine race track, Toronto, and these may be adopted here.

UTAH JOCKEY CLUB HAS BIG PLANS.

Salt Lake City, Utah, April 19.—To make Salt Lake City one of the great racing centers of the country the new Utah Jockey Club proposes to build a mile track near the city, a fine clubhouse, grandstand, paddock and the like, the complete plant to cost between \$250,000 and \$300,000.

The lowest purse at the coming meeting will be \$250 and the highest \$1,000. Purses awarded during the meeting will aggregate \$75,000.

General Manager W. V. Finn of the Utah Jockey Club is here superintending the improvements. P. P. Pomeroy of Chicago, who acted as an official at Santa Anita, will be in the judges' stand, and Dick Dwyer will officiate as starter. Instead of the New York system of bookmaking, Manager Finn has decided to use booths and slates.

THE VICTORIA, B. C., STAKE LIST.

Ten stakes to be run at the Victoria, B. C., meeting have been opened. All close May 15, and racing begins June 5. The Victoria Derby, mile and an eighth, and Dominion Day Handicap, mile and a quarter, are worth \$1,000 each, and the following eight stakes are worth \$500 each: Opening Handicap, one mile; Ladies' Plate, half mile; Empress Handicap, six furlongs; Country Club Selling Stakes, seven furlongs; Jubilee Handicap, five furlongs; Cession Stakes, five furlongs; Exposition Selling Stakes, mile and one-sixteenth, and Farewell Handicap, one mile.

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TRAINING WORK OVER NEW YORK TRACKS.

Whitney's Well-Bred Band of Two-Year-Olds Arrive at Sheepshead Bay.

New York, April 19.—The Long Island tracks have been in excellent condition for several weeks, with the weather of the horses being prepared over these courses are well advanced in their training and about ready for racing.

The horses which will be raced at the Pimlico meeting, which begins next Saturday, received their finishing gallops last Saturday and will be shipped to the Baltimore course today.

The going at Gravesend Sunday morning was faster than at any time this spring and some very good moves were shown.

Julius Bauer's Paddy stepped along for six furlongs in 1:18 and Zethus was sent along five furlongs in 1:05. The fillies, Mon Reve and Marie Rue, with Florinel, went five-eighths in 1:04. All three are ready to race.

Trainer John Rogers had Raquel work six furlongs in 1:17.

Molnelli worked Royal Onyx seven furlongs in 1:33.

George Cornell brought out his three-year-old, Obadiah, and let him steer six furlongs in 1:18. Goldconda went a mile in 1:48.

Green Monarch and Farnham warmed up and worked him six furlongs in 1:17.

Henry Walker sent his filly, Miss Voter, five furlongs in 1:04.

Over at Sheepshead Bay the trainers were busy and the course crowded with horses all morning.

The Bay colony was enlarged yesterday morning with the arrival of twelve horses, which will carry the colors of H. P. Whitney over the local courses this season. They came from Whitney's Brookdale Farm and were received by W. H. Kierick, who will train them as well as those of the Onock stable.

Of the Whitney string, all are two-year-olds with the exception of the four-year-old gelding, Yorkville Beau. The list is:

Donation, ch. f. by Hamburg—Equality.

May Florence, b. f. by Hamburg—Elesole.

Kildarkin, b. g. by Hamburg—Kildeer.

Outpost, ch. g. by Hamburg—Semper Paratus.

Bookala, b. f. by Irish Lad—Princess Rupert.

Shamrock, b. f. by Irish Lad—Sister Mary.

Collage, br. f. by Ruskin II—Breakdown.

Chestnut filly, by Hamburg—Elizabeth L.

Bay gelding, by Hamburg—Lady Frivoles.

Chestnut filly, by Hamburg—Vesper.

Brown gelding, by Hamburg—Urania.

With eleven youngsters bred as these are, it is probable that the Whitney colors will be of some importance, even though the young sportsman moved the best of his racing establishment to England.

All of them made the trip from the farm without mishap, and some have far enough advanced to make it almost certain that they will bear colors at the coming spring meeting at Belmont Park.

Equation is a sister to Uniform and a half-sister to Bar None and other good ones. May Florence is a half-sister to Sea Bird, which won in England in the Whitney colors last week. Kildarkin is a brother to Sandpiper, Adriana and other good ones. The daughter of Vesper is a half-sister to The Vear and Angels. Shamrock is a half-sister to Top Note and to Brother Jonathan and the Urania gelding is a half-brother to Perseus and Westbury.

The Belmont Park courses were at their best in every respect, but horsemen were inclined to trials of an ordinary character.

Trainer William Hogan cantered the Bartlett McLennan cross-country performers, Agent, Florence II, and Denier, five furlongs in 1:09.

The George Kessler horse, Agent, winner of last year's Annual Champion with jockey Pat Kelleher up, moved impressively.

Edward Regan worked Ardi six furlongs in 1:23.

King Cobalt, of the Brownleigh Park Stable, was eased up six furlongs in 1:24. The Plaudit filly, Secret Service, galloped in 53.

Trainer Silas Veitch worked Grandna a mile in 1:52. Dick Sampson was in the saddle. The veteran was full of life.

The Star Ruby chaser, Rufus, galloped a mile and a furlong in 2:03. He is in training satisfactorily and there is reason to believe he will run in good form.

William R. Griffin sent Earl G. and Dr. Pillow a half in 54.

Thomas J. Healey galloped Dolly Spanker, Beaumont, Manvettie, Alatheno, Falcaida, May River, Montfort, Sanguine and Chepunctu a half in 57.

IMPROVEMENTS AT BLUE BONNETS TRACK.

Montreal, Que., April 19.—The snow and ice have almost disappeared from Blue Bonnets and it will not be long before the hares will be turning over the mellow earth. In fact, Superintendent Marshall is already preparing for a campaign which should make the course faster than ever before. With the coming of spring a number of improvements will be noted, chief of which will be the erection in the lower paddock, below the handsome clubhouse, of a roomy and thoroughly up-to-date building, which will serve as secretary's office, post office, entry room and jockeys' quarters.

The new building will be a masterpiece of architecture, and the old jockey quarters beneath the grandstand were far from satisfactory, and the same is true of the secretary's office, which is poorly laid out and gave loungers an opportunity to bar the way of the officials of the course.

In the new building, which will have a balcony, from which the boys who are not riding may view the races, there will be an abundance of room for trainers and others whose duties will call for their presence there, but it will be so isolated that the hangers-on and other undesirables will have no excuse for visiting it. In this way the jockeys will be safeguarded from the time they arrive at the course until the last race has been run. An ornamental walk will lead from the jockey house to the judges' stand, passing in front of the clubhouse, and the jockeys will constantly be under the eyes of the officials.

It is the intention to plant several hundred trees in the grounds, which are already beautiful. Fine, strong maple trees will line the drive from Molson avenue to the clubhouse and grandstand, while willows or poplars will form a hedge between the backstretch and the stable. Still another row of trees will be planted in the ground between the stables and the Canadian Pacific Railway. Nature has done much for Blue Bonnets, but when these trees have been growing for a few years they should add much to the attractiveness of the course.

Applications continue to pour in for stall room for the spring meeting, which is scheduled to open on Saturday, June 5, and continue until Saturday, June 19.

The latest owners who have asked for accommodations are R. L. Thomas and R. F. Carman, each of whom will bring seventeen horses. Jockey Shilling is in the services of Mr. Thomas and his presence will mean much, as this young man is considered the most capable rider in America today. Among Mr. Thomas' horses are several fleet two-year-olds by Cesarino, the best probably being Flying Squirrel.

Montrealers are familiar with the Carman stable. Among the best horses in the Magazine, W. H. Carey, Fleming and others, though it is said that he has several smart two-year-olds that have never won colors in California. It was thought that S. C. Hildreth would only send part of his stable, but in a letter to one of the officials of the jockey club, the famous owner-trainer asks for reservations for twenty horses.

SANTA ANITA PARK RACING STATISTICS.

During the 1908-09 winter meeting of the Los Angeles Racing Association at Santa Anita Park, which opened on November 26, and came to a close last Saturday, embracing 122 days of racing, a total of 707 races were decided. The largest sum of \$370,795 was distributed in stakes and purses, and 218 owners shared in the distribution, seventy-six of them winning \$1,000 or more each. S. C. Hildreth, with King James, Joe Madden, Restigouche and other high-class horses, won \$30,815 and stands at the head of the list of winning owners. R. L. Thomas is second in the list, his horses having gathered a total of \$19,480. The stable of P. T. Chinn, which is trained by himself, is a close third with \$18,255, while fourth place falls to Barney Schreiber, the Missouri turfman, with \$17,560 to his credit. R. F. Carman, the St. James Stable, William Walker and the Pasadena Stable were the only others winning \$10,000 or more. The following is a complete list of those winning \$1,000 and over:

Owner.	1st.	2d.	3d.	Amt.
S. C. Hildreth	20	17	15	\$30,815
R. L. Thomas	43	29	31	19,480
P. T. Chinn	43	26	26	18,255
B. Schreiber	34	29	14	17,560
R. F. Carman	30	25	28	15,110
St. James Stable	28	37	49	14,990
W. Walker	19	14	19	13,985
W. Walker	29	16	12	11,165
Pasadena Stable	16	20	7	8,845
J. McMann	19	24	24	8,500
Henderson & Hogan	16	20	12	8,475
W. Gerst	13	12	10	6,475
S. A. Clifton	17	4	7	6,245
H. K. Brandt	13	14	10	5,945
W. P. Fine	14	11	10	5,350
M. Reis	13	11	12	5,250
W. S. House	14	8	7	4,125
G. Alvey	11	11	6	4,440
G. Relf	6	6	4	3,975
H. L. Jones	5	5	2	3,870
T. S. Childs	9	12	0	3,870
G. Summers	9	12	0	3,870
J. W. Young	9	11	2	3,525
J. J. Walsh	8	9	7	3,485
W. B. Jennings	9	6	10	3,475
Oakwood Stock Ranch	9	4	13	3,350
A. H. Hute	9	4	8	3,325
W. T. Anderson	9	4	8	3,325
C. B. Reid	9	5	6	3,325
W. St. Vincent	8	6	6	3,050
Garrity & Dunlap	3	3	2	2,985
R. H. Davis	3	2	0	2,840
J. A. Bennet	6	6	10	2,840
Orangevale Stable	6	11	12	2,750
J. Griffin	4	5	6	2,350
H. H. Shilling	4	7	3	2,200
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E. J. Baldwin	5	7	4	2,065
Powell Bros.	5	6	6	2,075
W. Gabriel	5	7	3	2,075
W. D. Millard	5	5	3	1,950
Reidar Stable	4	3	1	1,850
W. M. Rogers	4	7	2	1,850
J. J. Hyland	5	2	4	1,825
W. H. Walsh	4	5	8	1,750
E. L. Talley	4	5	8	1,750
W. W. Walsh	4	6	4	1,700
G. H. Holle	3	7	1	1,685
Maline Stable	4	3	9	1,675
A. J. Jackson	4	3	8	1,660
L. Cahn	4	2	3	1,650
C. F. Clark	4	4	4	1,600
Dargis & Padlock	4	3	3	1,525
M. L. & A. C. Schwartz	3	1	0	1,525
W. J. Speers	3	1	0	1,500
S. Polk	4	3	1	1,475
G. Missapp	4	2	3	1,475
C. H. Kuebelkamp	4	0	7	1,475
W. Covington	2	3	1	1,475
King & Walston	4	2	3	1,475
A. D. Walstrom	4	1	3	1,425
W. H. Baker	3	8	2	1,425
Johnson & Dodson	4	1	0	1,350
S. J. Doegge	4	1	0	1,350
C. P. Brazier	4	1	0	1,350
C. R. Fleischmann	3	2	2	1,270
F. Wallhauser	2	3	9	1,205
F. Merckel	3	2	4	1,175
W. Arthur	3	2	4	1,175
E. Wavland	3	1	1	1,055
C. & B. Stable	3	1	1	1,050
Lakewood Stable	3	1	0	1,025
R. Bauer	3	0	1	1,000
Mrs. C. C. West	3	0	1	1,000
J. P. Newman	2	5	4	1,000

The high-class colt, King James, from the stable of S. C. Hildreth, with four successes in six starts—the California and Speed Handicaps and two overnight purses—to his credit, is at the head of the list of money-earning horses. Next to him in the winning list is Barney Schreiber's Animus with \$4,830, the result of his victory in the Covina Selling Stakes and several purse races. Joe Madden, also from the Hildreth barn, won the Los Angeles Derby and is third with \$4,375. W. H. Walker's Stanley Fay is a close fourth. The following 111 horses have won \$1,000 or more each during the meeting:

Horse.	1st.	2d.	3d.	Amt.
King James	4	2	0	\$11,525
Animus	8	2	4	4,830
Joe Madden	4	4	3	4,375
Stanley Fay	4	1	3	4,375
Restigouche	3	0	0	4,500
Jack Atkin	6	2	0	4,070
Miss Sain	3	1	3	3,620
Magazine	6	4	7	3,545
Rocky O'Brien	3	1	1	3,520
Vox Populi	6	6	4	3,450
Glorio	6	6	3	3,290
Mark Anthony II.	4	1	2	3,255
M. J. Small (dead)	4	4	2	3,175
Maltbie	4	4	2	3,175
Lady Irma	9	1	2	3,105
Ida May	8	4	4	3,009
Alma Boy	8	7	1	2,975
Woodcock	2	0	7	2,925
Joseph K.	4	1	1	2,820
Polis	2	0	0	2,805
Norbitt	7	5	3	2,680
Gay Fisher	7	5	2	2,680
Edison	7	5	4	2,645
Enfield	7	5	4	2,645
Montgomery	2	2	2	2,565
Donau	6	4	2	2,470
Harry Davis	7	0	2	2,455
Harrigan	7	0	2	2,455
Spohn	7	2	0	2,375
La Gloria	7	0	3	2,350
Pal	6	5	2	2,250
Lang	6	5	2	2,250
St. Elmwood	6	4	3	2,200
Moseley	5	3	3	2,195
Captain Burnett	6	2	4	2,150
Lord Nelson	6	3	2	2,150
Czar	6	3	2	2,150
Free Knight the Bear	6	1	5	2,125
Fitz Herbert	2	0	0	2,065
Beaulere	6	1	3	2,075
Proper	6	2	0	2,050
Mary F.	6	2	0	2,050
Fleming	5	2	7	2,000
Domus Arvi	4	3	0	1,945
St. Hario	5	3	6	1,925
Donald Macdonald	5	4	2	1,875
Third Rail	4	2	2	1,875
Rialto	4	7	2	1,850
Joe Galtens	5	2	1	1,825
Golly Ding	5	1	2	1,800
John Carroll	5	1	4	1,790
Galves	4	6	1	1,675
John Louis	4	7	0	1,650
Flying Squirrel	5	0	0	1,625
Ardreche	4	6	1	1,625
Mark of Gotham	4	3	6	1,625
Lord Stanhope	4	3	1	1,600
Kiora	4	5	1	1,575
Prince Ahmed	4	2	1	1,545
Far West	3	1	1	1,520
Milba	4	2	4	1,500
Stringency	4	2	3	1,475
Merlino	3	5	0	1,475
King of Mist	3	6	6	1,425
Frank G. Hogan	3	2	3	1,400
Brubaker	3	0	1	1,375
Ben Trovato	4	1	1	1,375
Old Timer	2	8	1	1,365
Dr. Holzberg	4	0	0	1,300
Lawton Wiggins	3	4	1	1,275
Green Seal	3	6	5	1,265
Colloquy	2	6	5	1,260
Oboron	3	3	5	1,250
Black Mate	3	4	2	1,225
Grand Dame	3	4	1	1,225
Waterbury	3	2	0	1,215
Snow Ball	3	3	3	1,200
Round and Round	3	7	0	1,200
Progress	3	3	3	1,200
Edwin T. Fryer	2	3	8	1,180
Duke of Bridgewater	3	3	2	1,175
County Clem	3	2	1	1,175
Hasty Agnes	2	6	6	1,155
Star Thistle	3	3	1	1,150
John A.	3	3	1	1,150
Chapulapce	3	0	0	1,150
C. C. Clem	3	0	0	1,150
Roy T.	3	3	0	1,125
Reformation	3	2	2	1,125
Henry O.	3	2	2	1,125
Woodwinder	3	2	2	1,125
C. W. Burt	3	2	2	1,125
First Peep	3	1	3	1,100
Montclair	3	1	3	1,100
Madeline Musgrave	3	1	3	1,100
Taylor George	3	2	0	1,075
W. H. Amant	3	2	0	1,075
Harry Scott	3	2	0	1,075
Goldway	2	4	2	1,075
Father Stafford	1	2	2	1,075
Immaculate	3	1	0	1,050
Homeless	4	1	0	1,050
Great Heavens	3	0	3	1,050
Sir Ashton	1	1	2	1,025
Tom McGrath	3	1	0	1,025
Amado	3	1	0	1,0

81101

SECOND RACE—3-4 Mile. Purse \$200. 3-year-olds and upward. Selling.

Net value to winner \$125.

Ind	Horses	A	W	P	St	¼	½	¾	Str	Fin	Jockeys	Owners	O	H	C	P	S
81069	ED TRACY	5	11	6	5	3	12	13	14	1	1	Molesw'h	J Randolph	6-5	7-5	4-5	2-5
81069	INSPECTOR BIRD	4	11	1	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	W F Rapp	23	5	4	3	2-5
81021	BITTER SIR	4	11	3	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	Donovan	5	6	4	6-5	3-5
81022	COATCUTTER	3	10	2	6	6	2	2	2	2	2	Battiste	10	15	6	3-5	
81068	HARDLYSON	3	10	2	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	Singlet'n	4	8	8	2	1
81069	J. SWANNER	4	10	1	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	McKay	4	8	8	2	1
81042	FLORENCE N.	4	10	1	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	J Sellers	10	20	20	8	4
80239	GANNET	5	12	1	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	Sullivan	15	20	20	8	4

Winner—Ch. g. by Rancocas—Josie Newman (trained by J. Randolph).
Went to post at 3:40. At post 1 minute. Start good. Won easily; second and third driving. Ed Tracy ran into a big lead at the quarter and won as his rider pleased. Inspector Bird was reserved to the stretch and finished a fast going second. Bitter Sir ran well and outgamed Coatcutter at the finish. The latter showed speed to the head of the stretch and tired.
Scratched—81069 Stole, 121; 81069 Padrone, 103; 81021 Walter McLean, 111; 81065 Cliff Cole, 111.

81102

THIRD RACE—5-1-2 Furlongs. Purse \$200. 3-year-olds. Selling.

Net value to winner \$125.

Ind	Horses	A	W	P	P	St	¼	½	¾	Str	Fin	Jockeys	Owners	O	H	C	P	S
80996	STARBEAM	92	8	5	14	14	14	14	14	13		Ploss	J Brannon	10	15	15	6	2
80997	TAPICA	102	6	1	23	23	23	23	23	21		J W M'phyp	S Burrell	3	7	7	2	1
80998	SUNLINE	94	4	6	3	3	3	3	3	3		Hollister	W Winfrey	2	21	3-2	7-102-5	
81042	TALLOW DIP	94	5	8	5	5	5	5	5	5		Flowerdale	Stable	4	23	23	4	5-1-2
80989	LYLA	97	1	4	7	7	7	7	7	7		Vand'sen	W McLennore	5	7	7	2	1
80995	EXCELSIS	97	2	2	6	6	6	6	6	6		Bezanon	Allen & Arnvine	10	15	15	6	3
7554	MATSKA	97	3	2	8	8	8	8	8	8		Molesworth	R Adair	5	10	10	4	2
7806	FECKLESS	97	7	7	4	4	4	4	4	4		Donovan	R Beque	5	10	12	4	2
80996	BELLE HOWARD	105	9	Excused	5	5	5	5	5	5		Jas Hogg	T Poik	10	20	20	8	4

Winner—B. f. by Juvenal—Beautiful Star (trained by R. Milson).
Went to post at 3:36. At post 2 minutes. Start good. Won easily; second and third driving. Starbeam showed much speed, set her own pace and won cantering. Tapica was always in closest pursuit of the pacemaker, but could never get up. Sunline ran fairly well, but could never improve his position. Belle Howard delayed the start ten minutes and was excused from starting. Her entry is refused in the future.
Scratched—81046 Clint Tucker, 99; 77510 Helen Kidder, 97; 81046 Marchayre, 97.

81103

FOURTH RACE—1 Mile. Purse \$200. 4-year-olds and upward. Selling.

Net value to winner \$125.

Ind	Horses	A	W	P	St	¼	½	¾	Str	Fin	Jockeys	Owners	O	H	C	P	S	
80705	VESME	5	10	6	1	14	2	2	1	1	1	Molesw'h	Bexar Stable	8-5	9-5	9-102-5	out	
81026	DICK REDD	6	11	8	5	1	3	3	3	3	3	J. Wilson	G Pendarvis	10	15	15	6	3
81043	DR. NASH	7	10	4	8	8	4	4	4	4	4	T. Burns	Freeman & Dulin	8	12	12	4	2
81018	MISS M. BOWDISH	8	10	4	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	Vand'sen	C R Gaines	2	3	3	2-5	3-5
81096	OVERON	8	11	2	4	2	14	4	4	4	4	J. Brooks	Powell Bros	4	7	7	2	1
81044	MISS VIGILANT	4	9	5	2	6	7	7	7	7	7	Young	H W Moseley	10	12	12	4	2
81044	ALVISE	5	10	1	5	4	8	8	8	8	8	Lozier	J C Louder	8	12	12	4	2
80239	KNOWLEDGE	8	11	2	6	3	6	6	6	6	6	R. Wilson	T Polk	10	20	20	8	4

Winner—Ch. g. by Vesuvius—Guesse (trained by R. Milson).
Went to post at 4:00. At post 2 minutes. Start good. Won easily; second and third driving. Vesme off flying, set the pace and faltered at the half, but came on again and won easily. Dick Redd was always close up and finished gamely. Dr. Nash showed speed to the stretch and tired badly. Overon was prominent for the first half and tired badly. Miss M. Bowdish closed a gap and tired.
Overweights—Vesme, 1 pound; Dr. Nash, 4; Miss M. Bowdish, 4.

81104

FIFTH RACE—6-1-2 Furlongs. Purse \$200. 4-year-olds and upward. Selling.

Net value to winner \$125.

Ind	Horses	A	W	P	P	St	¼	½	¾	Str	Fin	Jockeys	Owners	O	H	C	P	S	
81047	BERTMONT	5	10	3	2	2	14	14	14	1	1	1	Singlet'n	Lobb Stable	8-5	3	3	3-2	7-10
81042	PR. OF WOODSTOCK	6	10	7	6	6	2	2	2	2	2	2	J. Brooks	C N Freeman	6	10	10	4	2
80993	CHARLEY HEENEY	5	10	3	8	1	14	14	14	1	1	1	Jas Hogg	J M Shilling	6	10	10	4	2
81046	M. PADDEN	4	9	8	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	Vand'sen	J H Buscher	5	6	5	8-5	4-10
81072	MISL. PALERDO	5	10	3	2	2	14	14	14	1	1	1	Criss	W J Munroe	8	12	12	4	2
81043	L. M. ECKERT	4	10	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	Battiste	J Burtiscliff	8	12	12	4	2
81072	RATIONALITY	5	10	1	9	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	Molesw'h	J Ratcliff	6	10	10	4	2
81042	SAN GIL	4	10	8	1	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	Sullivan	Reed & Spargur	8	8	8	3	2-2
81029	W. M. GAN	5	10	3	2	2	14	14	14	1	1	1	Turner	Reed & Bulfin	10	10	10	4	2
80968	PARVO	6	10	1	10	10	11	11	10	10	10	10	Pickens	O G Parke	5	8	8	3	2-2
85997	ALICE TODDY	4	10	5	1	1	9	10	11	11	11	11	Small	R Minton	6	10	6	2	23-6

